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In re the application of:

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Examiner: **Banks**

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For : **REDUCING CYANIDE CONSUMPTION  
IN GOLD RECOVERY FROM FINELY  
GROUND SULPHIDE ORES AND CONCENTRATES**

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.312  
(OVERVIEW)**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The instant Amendment, filed after receipt of the Notice of Allowability of October 1, 2008, but prior to submission of the issue and publication fees, responds to a formal issue raised by the Examiner in a recent telephone conversation.

The instant Amendment comprises (1) Specification Amendments, (2) Drawing Amendment(s), and (3) Remarks. Each section starts on a separate sheet, to facilitate processing, and in compliance with current Patent Office practice and procedure.